

BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)
) MUR 5831
Softer Voices; Lisa Schiffren, director)
of Softer Voices; Santorum 2006 and)
Gregg R. Menlinson, in his official)
capacity as treasurer; Richard J.)
Santorum; Jack Templeton)

CERTIFICATION

I, Darlene Harris, recording secretary for the Federal Election Commission executive session on February 11, 2009, do hereby certify that the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in MUR 5831:

1. Find reason to believe that Softer Voices violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 433, 434, and 441a(f), by failing to register as a political committee with the Commission; by failing to report its contributions and expenditures; and by knowingly accepting contributions in excess of \$5,000.
2. Find no reason to believe that Softer Voices violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a and 434 by making and failing to report excessive contributions, in the form of coordinated expenditures, to Santorum 2006.
3. Find no reason to believe that Santorum 2006 and Gregg R. Menlinson, in his official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(f) and 434 by accepting and failing to report excessive in-kind contributions from Softer Voices.
4. Find no reason to believe that Softer Voices or Jack Templeton violated 2 U.S.C. § 441e.
5. Take no action at this time with respect to Richard J. Santorum and Lisa Schiffren.
6. Revise the Factual and Legal Analyses pursuant to the meeting discussion and circulate the redrafted versions to the Commission on an informational basis.

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7. Approve the use of compulsory process in this matter, but direct the Office of General Counsel to circulate, on a 48-hour no-objection basis, any recommendations for the issuance of appropriate interrogatories, document subpoenas, and deposition subpoenas.
8. Approve the appropriate letters.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub
voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

February 13, 2009
Date

Darlene Harris
Darlene Harris
Deputy Secretary of the Commission

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